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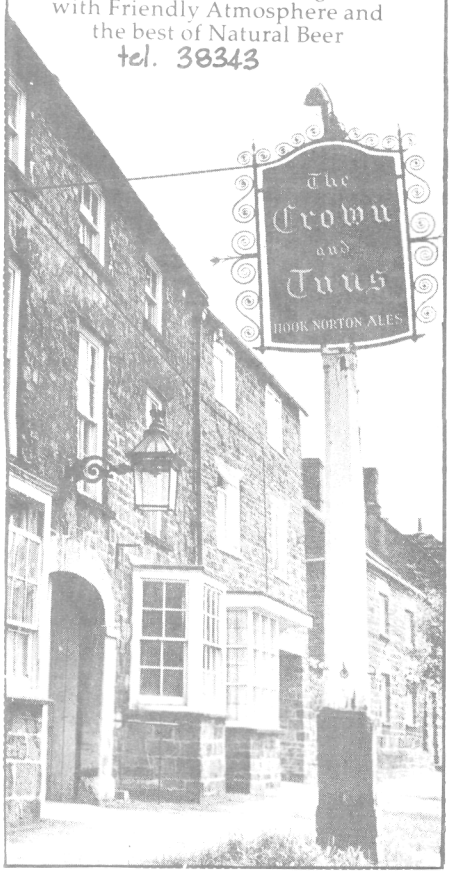

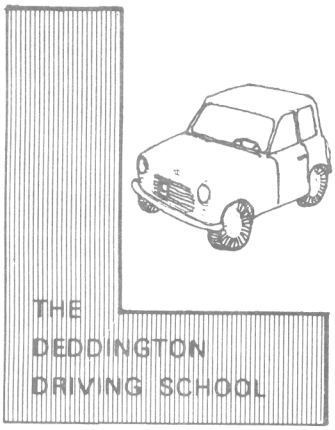

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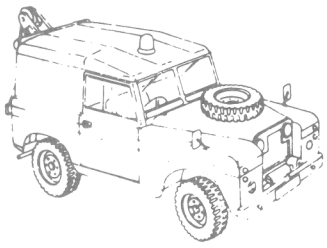

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EDITORIAL

My first sad duty this month is to have to bid farewell to Maggie Rampley after nine years of devoted service in the essential and demanding task of organising the distribution of "The Deddington News". I very soon learned how invaluable she could be when I asked her to run the tin can stall for the Spring Fair. We shall all certainly very much miss her cheerful, practical and reliable assistance, and we wish her all the best for her new teaching job. I am very glad to say that Sonia Templeman has stepped in to replace her, and though she can still rely upon the host of stalwart supporters that Maggie has already enlisted, she would be grateful for any new offers from those willing to help out in distributing "The News" in their street or district, to ensure efficiency throughout the year. It is her intention to do the distributing on Thursday afternoons, so it should normally (apart from at Half Terms such as this one) reach you a little earlier in future.

I have also to announce that Patrick Cruse has withdrawn from responsibility for Ad.Graphics because of pressure of work. He offered to take over when Vojsava Fakhro resigned at the beginning of the year, but in fact we have not needed his help since. This is, of course, due to Vojsava's having made such an excellent job of the advertisements that all our needs were provided for in that department for the whole year. I am very pleased to say that Ken Langstaff has now kindly agreed to see to the illustrations for the advertisements for next year's issues.

DIARY

Nov. 1 Mothers' Union. "Early Parenthood" 34 The Daedings. 2.00 p.m.
3 Deddington Ladies Christmas Bazaar Holly Tree Club 2.30 p.m.
7 Deddington Ladies. Arrangements for Senior Citizens Party
8 Deddington Primary School. Book Choice Evening
9 Oxford Mission to Bangladesh. Coffee morning/Bring & Buy Ivy House 10.30 - 12.30
10 Deddington Tree Planting. Castle Grounds (P.O.corner) 10 a.m.
"Holly Fair" Deddington & Barford Wesleyan Churches Holly Tree Club 2.0 p.m.
13 W.I. Talk on Women's Health. Mrs.Perigo. H.T.C. 7.30 p.m.
15 Mothers' Union Bring & Buy Sale and Coffee Morning White Gates, Philcote Street
16 British Legion Club. Top sound disco.
17 Deadline for Junior Deddington News Story Competition
20 COPY DATE for the Deddington News
24 British Legion Club. Tony Casper
29 Issue of Deddington News
Dec. 1 Cricket Club Raceevering 7.45 British Legion Club
4 Brownie's Christmas Sale. Old Post House. 5.30 p.m.
7 Tennis Club Christmas Dinner. Holcombe Hotel. 8.00 p.m.
British Legion Club. Discovery.

LISTED BUILDINGS IN DEDDINGTON

The Department of the Environment is undertaking a resurvey of all buildings listed as being of architectural and/or historical interest in Oxfordshire. The current list for the Parish of Deddington was made nearly forty years ago and is both out of date and incomplete.

The Architect, Michael Clews of Middleton Cheney, has been officially appointed to carry out the resurvey of Deddington in August 1986 and he has sought help from the Council for the Preservation of Rural England (Banbury Area) who have now been in touch with the Deddington Parish Council.

Mr. Hone, Chairman of the C.P.R.E. is appealing for more detailed information about the buildings on the current list (e.g. names of architects, dates of construction, historical associations and especially internal features, such as inglenooks, old beams, roof timbers and staircases, and plaster ceilings). He would also welcome suggestions for any pre-1939 buildings to be added to the list.

The current "Listed Buildings for the Civil Parish of Deddington" makes quite fascinating reading, but almost as much for what it omits as what it contains. Copies of it are in the hands of the Editor and all Parish Council Members. A copy has also been deposited at the Library for the convenience of anyone who would like to consult it there. The address for information :

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R.C.E.

THE JUNIOR DEDDINGTON NEWS STORY COMPETITION

The Deddington News is offering prizes to those living in Deddington under 13 years of age for the best short stories submitted that are based upon the illustration on this year's cover.

There will be two first prizes of a £5 Book Token and two second prizes of book tokens for short stories from

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(b) Those below the age of 10

For the older candidates the stories should be not more than 1000 words in length, and for the younger group up to 750 words; but, remember, it is not the length that counts - we are looking for quality rather than quantity. The stories must be handed in at the Deddington Primary School or to me by Saturday, November 17th.

We are hoping for original and interesting stories which fit the picture as closely as possible, and notice will be taken of the neatness and correctness with which the work is presented.

We expect to announce the names of the winners in our December issue and hope then to publish the two winning entries.

RALPH ELSLEY.

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - SEPTEMBER 26th

Mrs Mary Robinson chaired the Meeting.

Minutes read and agreed.

Matters arising.

Widening of road to allotments (Satin Lane). There was no estimate for improvements so far, but the hedge has been cut and this may solve the problem.

The Clerk and Mrs Robinson met Mr Woodall from the Cherwell District Council by appointment to walk through the village and inspect footpaths with a view to repair work. Thomas St. and Philcote St. were particularly bad, but the D.C. is waiting for the Gas Board installations to be completed before starting on major repair work. Meanwhile patching up will continue.

Green. Following complaints that the buses churned up a corner of the Green, Mr Woodall also looked at this and it was suggested that a new kind of concrete slab which allows grass to grow through it should be put in. This was agreed.

Following the damage done by the BBC during the filming of Blott on the Landscape, some bare patches of the Green had been reseeded, but it had previously been agreed that returfing should be done. Rob's Gardening Service is to be asked to do this, and mow. Thereafter Mr and Mrs Lambert have kindly agreed to continue to look after the mowing as before.

Correspondence. Report on "Best Kept Village". A discussion on the litter problem followed and it was thought that competing for the trophy might encourage residents to help keep the village tidy. The problem of passing traffic adding to the litter was difficult to solve, but the P.C. thought they would like to enter for the competition next time.

Next Meeting of P.C. The dte of the next meeting has been changed to October 31st.

Audit. The Auditors have suggested that Insurance cover should be raised in the matter of Fidelity Guarantee to cover the sum of £2000. Insurance covers this and the Town Hall, Playground Equipment and Employer's Liability.(Caretaker).

Windmill Site -Tree Planting. Some trees have had to be chopped on the Windmill site and Bodicote House would like to replace them and plant trees on the perimeter of the grounds. This would cost an estimated £400, half of which would be paid by the Parish and the other half by the D.C. It was agreed that Mr John Scott should be asked to put forward a scheme and estimate for this.

Windmill Centre Contract had still not been exchanged. A letter from the C.C. is needed, but it is hoped that the signing can be done this week. The Chairman asked if Parish Council members would like there to be a "Signing Ceremony", but it was thought that this could be left to Mrs Robinson and Mr Garrett.

Planning A new house in the Tchure - no objection, though the height of the building was thought to be too high to fit into the location.
Alterations to Lodge Cottage - no objection.
Change of use of the Flat, Hudson Street - no objection.

Planning Application Plans were inspected for 19 houses on the Windmill Site and for the Centre. Some discussion on the size of the planned houses followed and it was again pointed out that there was a need of smaller houses for first-time buyers, but the P.C. was asked to give approval to plans for the sake of the Centre. This led to a discussion generally on whether stone or brick should

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING -26th SEPTEMBER -cont'd...

be used for houses in Deddington, also councillor Webber suggested that two of the large proposed houses might be replaced by two pairs of semi-detached houses. It was thought too late for changes and the project being beneficial to the community, the Parish Council agreed the plans.

Accounts:

Rob's Gardening	£37.95
Audit	£70.76
Clerk	£188.90
Cherwell District (underpaid)	£13.00
Southern Electricity Board	£503.86

A report of the October Meeting of the Parish Council will appear in the next issue.

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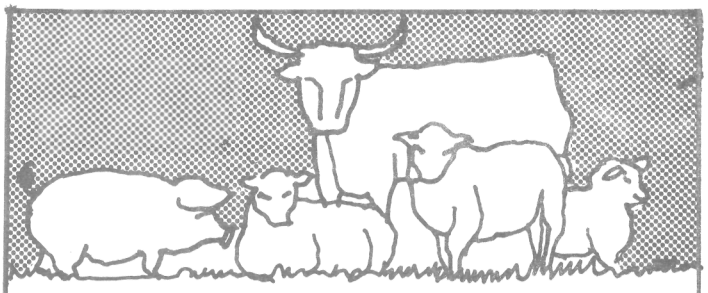

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WEDDINGS at the Parish Church:

22nd September — Henryk Andrew Gorski of London and Sharon Jane Presslie of Hempton.

29th September — Matthew Alan Clark, R.A.F. Norfolk and Sarah Jane Whitworth of Clifton. There was a Guard of Honour outside the Church formed by brother officers of the bridegroom. (I think the last Guard of Honour here was formed by our Firemen at Richard Boss's wedding. Let your imagination wander over other suitable occupations or pastimes for this mark of respect; e.g., for cricketers, crossed bats, for violinists, crossed bows, and so on.)

OBITUARY The funeral service for Herbert Arthur Sydney Callow on 9th October was attended by many Deddington friends and neighbours. He had lived for very many of his 83 years in Hempton Road, and was greatly respected and appreciated for his cheerfulness and friendliness. He had worked for the Highways Department of the Council and knew people in many villages around Banbury. He will be missed by the Meals on Wheels deliverers who always found him ready and waiting. In the summer he gave the ladies bunches of lavender. This "old world touch" was characteristic. At his funeral his grandson Julian played the organ. "Herbie" Callow was immensely proud of his grandson, who has just gone up to Trinity College, Oxford as an Organ Scholar.

Percy Arthur Franklin died on 11th October at the Pines Wing of the Neithrop Hospital, two months after the death of his wife. He was 85. When first married, he had lived at Tomwell Farm, but he soon came to live next to the former Exhibition Inn, where he remained, the father of a large Deddington family, very much in the centre of our world here.

Richard Hannah.

MOTHERS UNION

The next meeting is on Thursday, 1st November, at 2pm. at Bridget Doole's home 34 The Daedings. The subject is "Early Parenthood" and will take the form of a discussion after an introduction by Bridget and Jan Lennard. Visitors are very welcome.

On Wednesday, 15th November, we are holding a Bring and Buy Sale and Coffee Morning at the home at Joyce Harper, White Gates, Philcote Street. This is in aid of work to support mothers and children in Owerri and Boga Zaire in Africa. There people are very poor indeed. They do need our help. Please come and support them.

Pat Hannah.

DEDDINGTON SINGERS

We are sorry to have had to say farewell to Ian Blunsdon because under his 'baton' we achieved a great deal, but owing to other commitments he felt he could not give us the necessary time. At present Robert Cheney is taking our practices in an enthusiastic and capable manner until we can find another conductor. Our numbers have decreased and we welcome potential new members to join us on Monday evenings at 7.30pm. at the Weslyan Hall. Please come and enjoy a good sing with us.

Betty Caporn.

HOLLY TREE CLUB

Our final excursion for the summer season was enjoyed greatly by our Club members and friends on 19th September, when we visited the lovely City of Worcester. We started off through the pretty autumn countryside, down Sunrising Hill where a couple of our members informed me that they had recently enjoyed a pleasant picnic (not fish and chips); most of our party will know to whom I refer! We arrived at Worcester at 2.45 where we all dispersed. From all accounts everybody had a very good time and some of us managed to spend a bit of cash as usual. Our journey home was very pleasant in the sunset, which made a pretty play of light, shade and colouring over the hills. After a short stop for refreshments just outside Chipping Norton we finally arrived home at 7.30, just in time for the second part of Coronation Street!

Our driver was very pleasant and helpful and we were grateful to Eddie Lines for arranging the trip. Our local butcher, Andy Clarke, helped to make it all possible by his generous help in selling his wares on the night of the "Film" and donating the proceeds to us; we all thank him most sincerely.

Our Harvest Thanksgiving was held on October 10th and enjoyed greatly by all present. The produce, flowers and plants were all of an excellent quality despite the difficult gardening weather experienced this year, and we wish to express our gratitude to all the donors of these goodies. Mr. English gave us a very amusing and interesting talk (one couldn't call it a sermon) but it went down pleasantly and happily with the older generation as with the young - these being the 20 young pupils of our Primary School, who kindly entertained us all with a short selection of appropriate music for the occasion, by playing their recorders, accompanied by Mr. Morgan and his guitar. Mr. Lines led us in our Thanksgiving Prayers and his daughter, Joyce, very ably accompanied our hymn singing on the piano. Thank you, Joyce.

The sum raised by the sale of the produce added a very welcome amount to our funds. Once again a sincere thank-you to everybody who helped make our efforts a great success. We are now very much looking forward to our Club Christmas dinner.

Peggy Busby.

Do you remember the magnificent cover design of last December's Deddington News? The drawing of

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DEDDINGTON W.I.

The Deddington W.I. met at the Holly Tree Club on October 9th. We had a number of visitors who were interested to hear about Japanese Embroidery, and we were able to welcome a new member, Mrs. Cresswell. Our meeting has been growing steadily over the last few years and we are 38 strong now, almost enough to fill the hall. We heard about our successful annual stall in the Market Place; the cakes were sold out within about 20 minutes and we could have sold three times as many. We made £80, half of which will go to St. Nicholas House, our charity for this year. The other half will help to jack up our rather meagre funds.

It is very rarely that we have a disappointing meeting and our programme is on the whole varied and interesting. But I have to report that our talk on Japanese embroidery did not come up to expectations. It is no good arguing about taste, but presentation and information does matter. After all, quite a proportion of our members are keen and expert needlewomen; they are always anxious to learn new skills and try different approaches. The idea that a very large piece of embroidery can be completed by anybody in a few days is no recommendation to women who actually enjoy the process of the work and take great pains to make something beautiful. Moreover, we were looking forward to a detailed demonstration and discussion of all aspects of the craft, rather than have catalogues and finished framed pictures passed round.

In fact by far the most interesting part of the evening was the show our own members put on with their own work. We are delighted that we have so many talented and imaginative needlewomen in our midst, and I should like to thank those members who month after month take the trouble to bring along their work and enter for our little competitions. It helps to make our meetings interesting. The first prize went to Mrs. Nicholls, the second to Mrs. Bryant and the third to Mrs. Perree. Thank you all!

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 13th, the Speaker will be Mrs. Perigo on the subject of Women's Health, a matter of much importance. Visitors are welcome, we charge 40p for an evening, and we always welcome new members.

Mrs. Caporn organised a sponsored knit in aid of the Children's Society Christmas presents in October, and members of W.I. and their friends took part. £73-37 was raised - many thanks to all the knitters and their sponsors.

W.I. Recipe of the Month

Spiced Lamb Casserole

You need: 2lb. lean lamb (shoulder or leg are suitable) cut into cubes, oil, ½ pint of stock, 1 clove garlic, 1 tsp. curry powder, a pinch of cinnamon, salt and pepper, one orange cut into thin slices.

Brown the meat in the oil in a frying pan, and then transfer it to a casserole. Pour the stock into the frying pan, add the spices and boil. Add the garlic and orange cut into small wedges. Pour all onto the meat and cook gently for about 1½ hours until the meat is quite tender. Serve with rice.

Marianne Elsley.

CORRESPONDENCE

Dear Editor,

On reading last month's Deddington News I was rather amused by Mr. Howard's letter about Deddington Runners. As there has been NO write up for Deddington Runners in the Deddington News I would like to point out to Mr. Howard that I for one have done more runs this year than any other year since I started running.

In May I ran a half marathon in Abingdon, in April I ran an 8-mile Fun Run for charity, and since these I have done two more half marathons and also fulfilled my biggest ambition by running my first-ever full marathon at Abingdon. Later this month I have two more half marathons to do.

I must say that I agree with Mr. Howard that it's a pity there is no write-up in the Deddington News because after one has trained and completed the course one always looks to see if it might be published in the Deddington News.

Probably the reason why Mr. Howard doesn't see us running through Hempton so much is because we go longer distance running now, such as Banbury and back.

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Dear Editor -

I appreciate that the letter in last month's News mainly concerned the Runners but I would like to take up one comment made by the correspondent. The comment was that "Many things in Deddington are a five minute wonder".

There are obviously going to be some events and gatherings that are short-lived, as times and needs change. However, there are numerous things that I can think of which in the last 10 years or so were not given much hope of survival by some - e.g. uniformed youth organisations x 4, Deddington Ladies and Carol singing round the tree at Christmas. Even dear old Deddington News was only expected by some pessimists to survive but a year, and that was in '76.

Whenever any of these concerns went through a sticky patch somebody somewhere decided that now was the time for action and came forward to help.

At the present time I can think of 2 concerns badly in need of support or they will become five-minute wonders. In each case a small band of people or an individual is struggling to keep things going - and that is The Windmill Centre and Under 15 Boys football team.

Perhaps any one who feels that things in Deddington are only five minute wonders should lend support rather that just air opinions.

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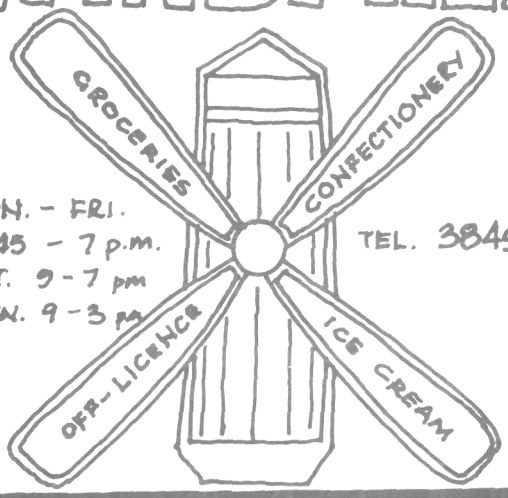

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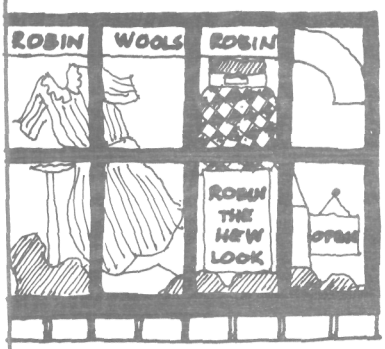

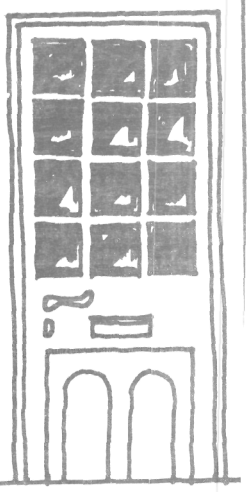

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To the Editor, "Deddington News"

Dear Sir,

I must not let this moment pass without offering my sincere thanks to all those who, in whatever form, have supported me throughout the past nine years since my appointment as headmaster in June 1975. I am especially grateful to those who have continued to give me their support during the saga of the past seventeen months.

A teacher's position depends totally upon reciprocal trust but once this is broken, like the Biblical wine bottle, it cannot be repaired and must be replaced with new. I hope the new headmaster (or possibly headmistress) is offered this trust - and feels able to return it - at all times and in all circumstances.

However, adversity (which comes to all of us at some point in our lives) has many facets - a number of which are distinctly advantageous in the long term. In the first place it brings a sharper insight and clearer perception of what is, and what is not, important in one's life. Secondly it certainly differentiates between the true friends one has made and those who, like chaff, are blown along by the prevailing wind. Finally, in our particular case it has financially enabled my family and me to return and retire to the warmth of the Westcountry, from whence we came, many years earlier than we ever dreamt possible. The Lord certainly moves..... So perhaps we should also thank all those not covered in the first paragraph!

I would also like to send my best wishes for their future happiness and success to all the honest and hard-working boys and girls (many now young men and women) who have passed through the school portals during my term of office.

Le Havre,
Twyford Gardens,
Twyford, Banbury

Yours faithfully,

W. S. DUXBURY

GOOD AND BAD

Dear Sir,

People must read the Deddington News with some care. Having written about the need to book early for weddings, I now report that I have already six weddings fixed for next year.

I hope that just as people read this excellent publication, which is, after all, by, with and for Deddington citizens, they take no notice at all of the free so-called newspapers which circulate here. One of them recently printed a piece in reference to the school and events of last year. While it is generally best to leave well alone, I felt that in this case many Deddington people were being unnecessarily insulted and vilified, not so much by the worthless accusations but by the printing of them. I felt the more justified as I was not myself being impugned. So I wrote a letter to the Editor of the free paper, complaining. I had a feeble and irrelevant answer, not printed, and not from Banbury at all, but from Eynsham.

While I do not like to deprive the boys and girls who deliver them of their honest wages, I wish they would not clutter our dustbins with them, for that is where they should go, unopened. I would like people here to know that an answer was made to the article. But it was not printed.

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CHRISTMAS advertisements would be appreciated as soon as possible. If you wish to be included a short message on the lines "Bill & Ben at the Flowerpots wish all friends and customers a seasonal greeting" Oh yes, and £1.00 please.

While on my rounds asking people to support us I have been told on several occasions that some of you would like to write about life in Deddington. There are several unusual houses and other buildings in the district about which our senior inhabitants could enlighten newcomers like myself. Maybe our local publicans could tell us a tale (alter names, though, as we can't afford costly law-suits).

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There is nothing too arduous involved at all - perhaps 2 or 3 meetings a year, to which you bring your observations and comments, criticisms or praise about programmes you have seen. Obviously a group of people of varying ages, interests and backgrounds will make the group effort more representative of all views. Information and comments collected will be forwarded to the powers that be!

We obviously feel this is a worthwhile scheme and anyone interested should please contact me. Thank you.

Maggie Rampley.

DEDDINGTON LADIES

On October 3rd we held our "Famous Person" fancy dress party. What an assortment! From Boy George to the Royal Baby. First prize went to Maureen French as Dennis Roussos, she really looked the part, moustache and all. The food and drink was provided by members and it really looked like a banquet when the table was set. Needless to say, a jolly good time was had by all.

Our next very important item is our Christmas Bazaar on November 3rd at 2.30pm. at the Holly Tree Club. There will be all the usual stalls and a really good raffle, so please everyone come and support us so that we can have a really super Senior Citizens' party. We are using our meeting on November 7th to make all the final arrangements for the party, and so will all members please make a special effort to attend.

Jackie Adkins.

NATURE NOTES

Very few birds sing at this time of year. But the robin does. Not only the male but the female sings as well. Female song is uncommon in birds in Britain. Others include the starling and possibly the skylark. This song is for territorial purposes and not for pleasure as perhaps we would like to think. Robins defend their territories fiercely and if an intruder robin tries to enter another's patch, the song may get louder until the intruder leaves. In this way song saves fights. The human race could learn from this.

There is another song of the robin, sometimes heard in the autumn. This is the "subsong". When working in the garden you may be lucky enough to hear it. It has very subdued, short phrases, very quiet and only audible within a few yards. Ornithologists do not know the reason for this song. It is very beautiful to hear.

The wild clematis, clematis vitalba, has been so very lovely this year, and looked splendid in the Harvest Festival decorations in the church. Sometimes known as "Travellers' Joy" or "Virgins' Bower", its more common name is "Old Man's Beard". The "Old Man" is the devil, who twists himself around other trees and chokes them to death. It was also called "Boys' Bacca" because lengths of stem could be smoked, and it burnt very slowly.

Pat Hannah.

DEDDINGTON FIRE SERVICE

Fire Calls: The last month has been an average month with 17 calls received, which were as follows:- 4 calls to stand by at Banbury Fire Station; 6 calls to false alarms on Automatic Alarm systems; 1 malicious false alarm; 1 call to a saucepan of stew left unattended on a cooker, which boiled dry and filled the flat and the adjoining flat with smoke; 1 call to straw on fire in a barn at Hempton; 3 chimney fires and 1 special service call. This brings the total number of calls to 169 so far this year.

One of the chimney fires proved how lucky the people in Deddington and the immediately local villages are, because at 8.42.pm on Sunday 7th October we received a call to a chimney fire at the Duke of Cumberland's Head at Clifton, we booked in attendance at Clifton at 8.46 pm and on inspection wessaw that smoke was coming out of the thatch some considerable distance from the chimney. We began to cut away the thatch and discovered that the thatch adjacent to the chimney was already hot and charred. Had there not been a Fire Station so close to hand then undoubtedly the thatch would have been well alight before the fire service arrived.

The special service call was very unusual to say the least, at 8.28 pm on Monday 22nd October we received a call to a drain on fire in Frances Road, Middle Barton. We booked in attendance at 8.41, to discover smoke and steam coming from a concrete manhole cover in the pavement. On enquiring from the local residents I was told that the communal heating oil supply pipe ran through the manhole. A closer inspection revealed that the cover was too hot to touch. After the cover was removed we discovered a mixture of oil and water boiling away quite merrily. We were then faced with the problem as to what was making it boil. After further enquiries we were told that it was not in fact an oil pipe running through the manhole, but an electricity mains cable and that the oil pipe ran adjacent to the manhole and had leaked a short time earlier, which accounted for the oil content. We therefore called out the Electricity Board engineers, who upon arrival, said it was their responsibility and there was a short circuit in the cable below which was acting like an electric kettle element, thus heating up the oil - water mixture. The mystery was solved.

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The collection in Deddington and Clifton at the end of September amounted to £112.35 - quite an improvement on last year's total. The Flag Week as a whole for the Banbury area was £1,200, also an improvement on last year - and the Saturday street collection in Banbury, organised by the Banbury Cross Sailing Club, raised over £350.
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As before, we are doing a limited selection of freshly cooked dishes but the prices are lower and vegetables and small salad are included in the price of the main dishes.

Naturally some things will be different and there will be no silver service. What will not change however, is the friendly atmosphere, the music and the care and attention that goes into the preparation, cooking and serving of our food.

We hope that by making these changes we will have more local support and be less of a 'just for special occasions Restaurant' !

Over the Christmas period, we will not be offering a set Christmas menu as such, but will be introducing our own variations on a theme.

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Sample Menu only as dishes will be constantly changing.

DEDDINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who so kindly gave us harvest gifts for our harvest festival service. The produce was distributed to members of the Holly Tree Club in Deddington and to the Fern Hill Club in Bicester. The school recorder group visited the Holly Tree Club during its Harvest Festival Service, and it was very pleasant indeed to make a contact which we hope to re-establish, perhaps nearer Christmas.

The recorder group also took part in a concert at Neithrop School, Banbury, in memory of a child from that school who tragically died of cancer earlier this year. Our children were sponsored to take part in the concert, and altogether raised more than £60. This money will go towards trying to save the cancer ward at St. Bartholemew's Hospital, London, where the little girl spent some part of her life, and which is threatened with closure. If the ward is closed the money will go towards cancer research.

On October 19th, our M.P. Mr. Tony Baldry visited the school, and was shown around the classes. We finished the day with Class 4 Assembly. It was a good afternoon, despite the bad weather, and it was most beneficial to exchange ideas!

We are playing host to children, staff and parents from two other schools in the area at a Book Choice evening on Thursday, Nov.8th. Four children from each school are invited to talk about, discuss and criticise books that they have read, in front of an audience of teachers, librarians, parents and other visitors. We hope it will be a stimulating and enjoyable evening.

John Morgan.

Football

So far this term, we have played two matches against a team from Donnington Middle School in Oxford. At home we won 3 - 0, and at Donnington we drew 1 - 1. The team has been made up largely of boys who have never played for the school team before. We have to start somewhere, and it is pleasing to see the boys beginning to realise that football depends on teamwork. The more they play together, the better it will be for their confidence.

Our thanks must go to the mums who wash our shirts regularly. The team has been chosen from the following boys:- Adrian Benfield, Matthew Townsend, Christopher Brock, Matthew Broadgate, Paul Gray, Darren Hawkins, Mark Beale Andrew Oddy, Matthew Varney, Jonathan Shaw, Justin Holmes, Michael Scott, David Service, Mark Humphries.

We now have other games arranged, and we have entered two 5-a-side tournaments later this term.

HERBERT CALLOW

The Callow family wishes to thank all neighbours and friends who were so kind and helpful to Herbert Callow during the last few years, also for the cards and messages received during the time he was in Hospital. Many thanks to the kindly folk who prepare and deliver the Meals on Wheels, they were much appreciated. Last but not least, thanks go to the Deddington News which gave Herbert many happy hours of reading.

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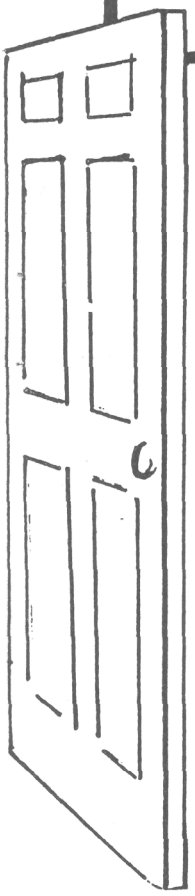

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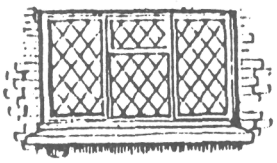

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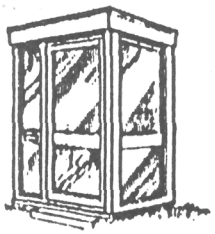

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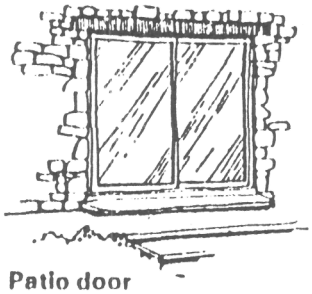

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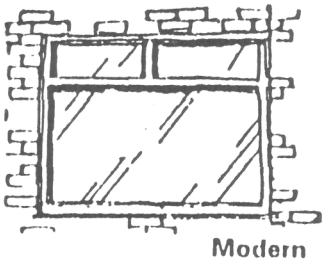

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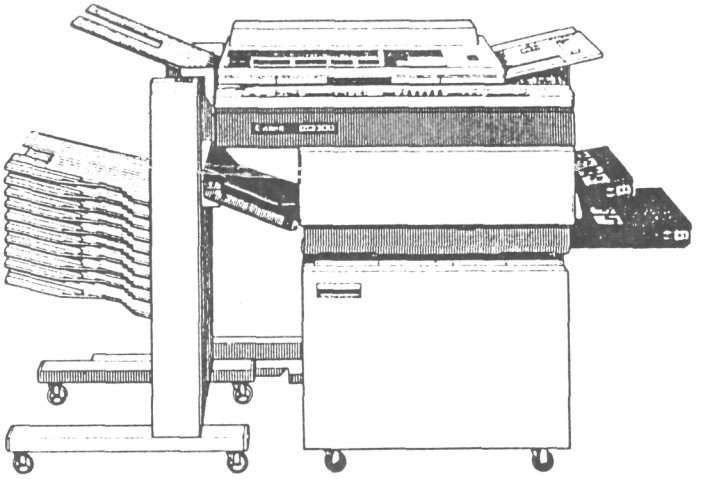

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CUB SCOUTS

The last few weeks have been very busy for the cubs. It all started on 23rd September with a group of cubs, Mums, Dads and sisters taking part in 'Hike Oxfordshire'. This was a sponsored hike of ten miles starting from Aynho and finishing in Banbury. All our party completed the walk in fine form and a total of £102.30 was raised for Group, District and County funds. Thank you to all parents who helped on the hike and with transport.

The next event, on Saturday 6th October, was the District fishing competition. We entered three teams whose object was to catch as many fish as possible in the time allowed. Two of our teams tied for Fourth place with the remaining team coming Fifth. Thank you to Paul Hope and Paul Wilkins for the transport and help on the day.

Our next event was a District Mastermind competition held in Banbury on 13th October. This was an event for one team of three boys from each group in the District. After holding our own mini-mastermind the team was Andrew Stiff, Michael Scott and David Service. The boys were asked twenty questions on Scouting and Twenty on general knowledge. They scored a magnificent thirty-one points, putting them in third place. (The winners scored thirty three points). Well done, boys.

Finally, on 20th October the cubs joined with the other uniformed groups at the jumble sale. Thank you to all those who helped, Mums, and Dads, included. over one hundred pounds was raised for Group funds.

Badges gained during the past few weeks include Paul Gray - Sixer and Silver Arrow, Daniel Hedge and Jonathon Shaw - Seconders, David Service - Year Star and Michael Scott - Conservation Badge. We are also pleased to welcome Sam Millard to the pack; he was invested on 18th October.

R.J.SCOTT. C.S.L.

DEDDINGTON GUIDES

We weren't quite as energetic this half term as we had planned. As I am sure everyone now knows the Great Run was cancelled. We were very disappointed as we had enough people for 3 teams. However, it couldn't be helped.

Gail Nicholls was our only representative on the 10 miles hike - finishing in fine style, I understand ..... and still chattering! Leanne Amond walked part of the way.

Debbie Rose was sole representative in the District Netball Team and played extremely well.

The rest of us have not been idle, however; we have been planning our "Gatherin of Ghostly Ghouls" to be held on Tuesday, 23rd October. We'll tell you how we got on next time.

Once all the hilarity of Hallowe'en has settled down we are having a "down-to-business" month in November. We shall be hard at work catching up on badges and Patrol projects, so we shall be hanging up the "Do not disturb" sign !

Thank you to all who supported our Jumble Sale. We made a marvellous £110.

I think the arrangements for Remembrance Day will be as usual - please listen out for details.

On Saturday, 10th November, 10 a.m. we shall be taking part in village tree planting at Castle Grounds.

MAGGIE RAMPLEY

Royal National Lifeboat Institution -continued...

If there is anyone who would like to help in the collection next year, please contact Rowena Maskery (38551) or Moya Hassan (38623), who would be very pleased to hear from you.

DEDDINGTON BROWNIES

Three Brownies have gained their Artist Badge, namely, Clare Scott, Rachel Dancer and Julie Ward.

We are hoping to have a Christmas Sale at the Old Post House on the evening of Tuesday 4th December from 5.30 pm onwards. Please keep that date free and come and have a cup of coffee and see what all the brownies have made.

We are all dressing up in ghoulish costumes to celebrate Halloween on Tuesday 30th October, so that should be great fun!

We are finishing Brownies on Tuesday 11th December because of all the other activities connected with school concerts, etc.

We are hoping to arrange an outing to a pantomime in January.

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DEDDINGTON BOWLING CLUB

Did you know that there is a bowling green at Deddington situate opposite the Health Centre, in grounds now owned by Mr. & Mrs.M.Spencer? This green has been in constant use for over forty years and is know as "Deddington Beeches Bowls Club".

The A.G.M. took place at our President's home on Wednesday, 17th October, when we learned with much regret that our Treasurer/Secretary, Mr. Charlie Fuller, after years of service in office, would have to hand over the books and call it a day. Many thanks, Charlie, from all members for your dedication to the club.

Another great loss was in store for us when our groundsman, Mr. Fred Deeley, had to give up his duties not through lack of interest, but he now finds, at well past eighty, racing behind a motor mower no easy task. Fred has been one of the greatest bowlers of this County and in 1967 reached the semi-final in the National Singles competition. Thank you, Fred, for all you have done for the club, and may you still bowl for many years to come !

The officers elected for the 1985 season are as follows :

Patron	Mr. M. French
President	Mr. F. Robins
Secretary	Mr. M. Williams
Treasurer	Mr. G. Todd
Captain	Mr. R. Stephenson
Vice-Captain	Mr. D. Walker

After a very lively discussion where much business was talked over and members sorted out competitions which they wish to enter for the 1985 season, the meeting closed with coffee and biscuits kindly being served by Mrs. Robins.

New members are always welcome; it doesn't matter if you've played bowls before or not. So, ladies and gentlemen, if you are interested in a most relaxing pastime why not ring Don Walker on Fritwell 6674 for more information ?

DON WALKER

DEDDINGTON TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

October was a better month for our reserve side, with a 2-0 win over Tysoe they registered their first victory at the Windmill. There seemed to be some sort of jinx on home matches, but two goals from last season's leading scorer, Micky Spiers, put an end to any worries about another home defeat. The footballing accountant (chartered, not turf) bagged more goals a week later in the next league fixture. A short trip up the road to Adderbury was a rewarding journey as the reserves put seven past the home keeper.

Stalwart defender and player manager, Arthur Fairns, has recently added another new signing to the playing staff. The newcomer, Danny Sullivan from Chipping Warden, is a speedy winger who should inject some extra pace into the attack. Midfielders this season include another new player, Gordon Melvin, a strong tackler, and veteran Brian Clarke. Brian is now in his 27th season as a Deddington player, but he is fitter than many others and his experience is invaluable. Dennis Evans has settled into the back four and is proving a steadying influence on the defence.

First team results through September and October were generally good, and Deddington briefly headed the Premier Division in mid-October. This was encouraging for a side playing their first season in a higher grade of football.

CONTINUED OVER.....

FOOTBALL CONTINUED

Following the departure of Sid Reynolds it has been encouraging to see how well Richard Cowley has played on the centre of the defence. Although he has regularly appeared in the No.5 shirt before, most of his experience in recent seasons has been as a reserve team player. Another experienced player having a good season is Maurice Stephenson. A prolific goal scorer, he has been on the mark several times already this season. The blend of the old and new is seen to be working to good effect with the acquisition of Neil Coles, who is also scoring his fair share of goals.

A number of readers have asked me whether it would be possible to publish a list of forthcoming fixtures in the Deddington News. This is certainly possible, but it might only be for the first two Saturdays in each month. The reason for this is that owing to Cup competitions we only receive fixture lists on a monthly basis, usually at the very end of a month, which is too late to meet copy dates. Meanwhile we are trying to get the league to supply us with the fixtures a little earlier so that we are able to cater for those readers who obviously wish to plan their football viewing in advance. Perhaps they are thinking of filming.....?

KEVIN BEALE

DEDDINGTON TENNIS CLUB

In last month's "News" we mentioned the forthcoming Christmas Dinner to be held at the Holcombe. We can now confirm that the event will take place on December 7th, starting at 8.00 p.m., with tickets at very reasonable prices to include a sumptuous traditional Christmas Dinner, lashings of wine and a disco into the wee small hours to shake it all down. Tickets are being made available to members initially and then on general release due to the restricted number of places available - so it really is a case of first come, first served (excuse the pun !)

The battle of the "triffids" being fought out on the club courts with the relentless encroaching manouvers of the weeds still goes on but we now believe we are actually winning. The courts were treated again, and the surrounding area, with weedkiller before being sprayed on the 10th of this month, making a world of difference to the appearance of them and we are ever hopeful that this time we will be successful in repelling the efforts of the creeping green plague!

Despite being the "closed" season the club carries on with planning and looking forward to 1985 and anyone interested in helping to run the Junior section by co-ordinating training and coaching sessions, plus arranging matches, should contact Maureen Forsythe for further details.

While on the subject of volunteers, we need someone to take over the running and organising of the "150 Club", those interested should contact their committee member for details.

Finally, congratulations to John Coleman for passing the coaching course; as a result of this we can confirm that John, helped by John Cresswell, will be coaching Juniors on Friday evenings, with Lawrence Welby coaching adults, but that evening has yet to be confirmed.

JENNIFER SOODY

DEDDINGTON CRICKET CLUB

The Second Annual Dinner was held on 6th October at The Great Western, Clifton, with 48 members and their guests having a most enjoyable evening.

Chairman Bill Drake welcomed everyone and told of the test given to The Committee in drinking his Apple & Rhubarb Wine. All have passed but some better than others; he was kind enough not to go into details, to some members' relief. Bill then introduced our Guests of Honour, Amanda and Tony Gray. Tony entertained the gathering with a succession of amusing anecdotes both from his own world of golf and cricket. Many thanks from all the club to Amanda and Tony for giving up their evening to be with us.

Our Captain, John Stiff, then spoke of the success enjoyed by the club in 1984 and was generous in his thanks to members of the Committee. He then presented this club awards.

Young Player of the Year Mick Colman

Outstanding Performance of the Year Terry Lester for his 10 for 32 against Sunningwell. Terry was presented with the Match ball mounted.

Bill Drake then made the top award

Clubman of the Year The deserving and popular winner was JOHN STIFF. It was a most memorable evening.

As the season is now over and my team place not important until next season, I felt it appropriate to review all the players of 1984 and enlighten you a little. After all, we must have 'Freedom of the Press' - so here we go !

John (Captain & Clubman of the year) Stiff. How did he get these titles you may well ask! Well, it is not for me to spread doubt, but it was his bat and ball we used each Sunday. Read into that what you will.

Peter Blackburn (top catcher in 1984) is now known as Claws, but what will he do when his tube of Super Glue runs out ?

His Son, Chris (super Brat) is also known as JAWS. I like Chris because he has the dubious distinction of having a lower batting average than me.

Our Treasurer, John Ebernieezer Burdon, who did not play much in 1984. We liken him to a nuclear weapon, our ultimate deterrent - there, but only used in a desperate emergency.

David Blades - honed to perfection, as sharp as steel, and worse.

John & Mick Colman - keen as mustard. Still worse.

Andy Shepherd - Improving but still rather sheepish in the field. (If he played rugby would he play for the BaBa's ?)

Phil (Love it) Parish - our milkman who gathers catches as if they were a bottle of his precious gold top.

Terry (forward defensive) Lester. Deddington's answer to Joel Garner

Our wicket keeper, Steve Jones. Could it be his greatest contribution has been his move to Bristol ? (Good luck, Steve !)

Kevin Slogger Beale who is in danger of being re-named 'poser' for next season.

Derek Cheeseman, or Cheesers, as he is known. There are some veterans in the club who claim to remember his last catch.

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CRICKET CONTINUED

Bill Drake, our Chairman, who appears by kind permission of Bomber Command Scrap Metal Division Darby & Joan club.

Sid Maddicott - who, not wishing to get an even lower batting average than last year, moved to Nottingham for the summer.

Not forgetting our tea ladies, those experts of the curled up fish paste sandwiches - sunken jam sponges and stewed tea. To Brenda, Jill, Terry and last but not least, that Madam of Haute Cuisine 'Salmonella Sue', thanks from all the team.

And what of the writer you might ask? Outright winner of the Inept Player of the Year Trophy, whose only claim to fame is he always turns up. (But why, they cry, oh why?)

If I have left anyone out then you must be as unmemorable as your cricket this summer.

To serious things :

The Club's A.G.M. is on Tuesday, 6th November, 8 p.m. at the Unicorn. I am sure all members will attend to discuss the Club's future and for the election of slaves. However, if as a newcomer you would like to come along and consider joining what is Deddington's leading cricket club you would be very welcome.

Date for your diaries is :

SATURDAY, 1st DECEMBER. CRICKET CLUB RACE EVENING 7.45 p.m. at THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION. Tickets £1.50 to include buffet. Please come along and support your local cricket club.

P.S. On 14th October eight of the team spent around five hours working on next season's wicket - raking - mowing - re-raking - re-mowing and then putting on loam. It was very hard work but very necessary to ensure a good wicket for 1985.

Our thanks to our extra helpers, Andrew Stiff and Simon Clinch, and to Jill, Sue and Terry for providing us with a working lunch. It was much appreciated, ladies.

TERRY CLINCH

S T O P P R E S S S T O P P R E S S S T O P P R E S S

Contracts for the new Windmill Centre were signed on the evening of Wednesday, October 24th, at the Town Hall. Those involved in this historic and exhaustive (if not exhausting) ritual, were Mary Robinson and Ken Garrett for the Parish Council and Mervyn Walliker, the Managing Director of Rockwell Developments. They were watched and assisted by a small group of supporters, including Robert Forsyth and Roger Rose.

On the following evening final planning permission was obtained without any difficulty or delay - we can now look forward to a speedy start on the project and congratulate Mr. Forsyth and Mr. Broadbent on what they have achieved for us all.

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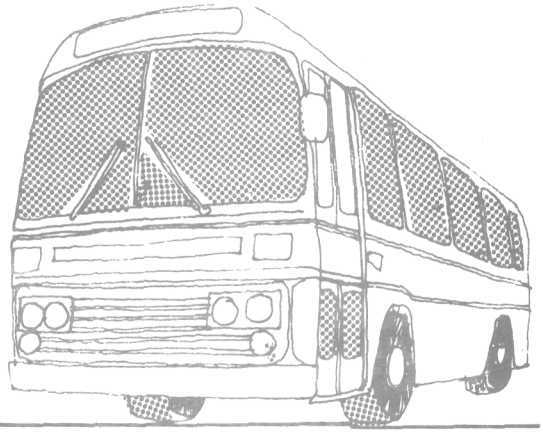

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